

## ABSTRACT

The invention provides novel polynucleotides and polypeptides encoded by such polynucleotides and mutants or variants thereof that correspond to a novel human C-type lectin receptor-like protein. These polynucleotides comprise nucleic acid sequences isolated from cDNA libraries from human fetal skin (Hyseq clone identification number 15371610). Other aspects of the invention include vectors containing processes for producing novel human C-type lectin receptor-like polypeptides, and antibodies specific for such polypeptides.